

Account: Air Force
 Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Dover Air Force Base
 Address of Requesting Entity: Dover, DE
 Description of Request: \$5,300,000 to provide new training facility with tools and classrooms to furnish specialized hands-on instruction for C-17 and C-5M engine maintenance.
 Name of Project: Consolidated Communications Facility

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE—
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288
 Account: Air Force
 Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Dover Air Force Base

Address of Requesting Entity: Dover, DE
 Description of Request: \$12,100,000 to construct a consolidated communications facility at Dover AFB. Currently, a comprehensive, integrated communications system is impeded by the fragmented location of related communications functions. Consolidating these functions into one hardened facility will improve manpower efficiency by approximately 25 percent. Consolidation and demolition of the old facilities will result in approximately \$17,000 in annual energy savings.

Name of Project: Chapel Center
 Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE—
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288
 Account: Air Force
 Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Dover Air Force Base

Address of Requesting Entity: Dover, DE
 Description of Request: \$7,500,000 to construct a new chapel center at Dover AFB. The current Dover AFB chapel center is an undersized, structurally substandard facility. A chapel is needed in proximity of dormitory residents because many single Airmen do not own transportation and the other base chapel is 20 minutes from the main base by foot. Airmen who work at the Port Mortuary would also utilize the new facility. An improved chapel is required to host families who come to the base to receive our fallen heroes. A new chapel center is needed to meet diverse worship, fellowship, and counseling needs of Dover AFB.

SUPPORT OUR BORDER COMMUNITIES

HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. FILNER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce H.R. 4251, legislation to include certain Department of Homeland Security facilities, such as ports of entry, under the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program.

Since 1976, communities have received payments from the Interior Department's PILT program to help offset losses in property taxes due to nontaxable Federal lands administered by the BLM, the National Park Service, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the U.S. Forest Service.

However, all along our Border, communities are not reimbursed for land that the Department of Homeland Security uses for ports of entry. The community often provides resources and services to these facilities without reimbursement from the government. My bill, H.R. 4251 provides support for these communities.

H.R. 4251 amends existing law to include certain Department of Homeland Security facilities, such as ports of entry, under the PILT program. Providing access to these payments will help these communities with the important work they provide along our borders.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. CHARLES W. DENT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. DENT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding projects that are listed in H.R. 3288, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY2010:

Bill Number: H.R. 3288, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY2010

Account: Division B—Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies—NASA, CAS
 Title: Nanomaterials Research

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Lehigh University

Address of Requesting Entity: 5 East Packer Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18015

Description of Request: This funding will be used to advance the partnership between Lehigh University, the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC), U.S. Army ARDEC, and industry partners in Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, and Delaware. The purpose of the partnership is the development, characterization, and application of engineered nanomaterials and devices for NASA space missions and aeronautical applications.

Bill Number: H.R. 3288, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY2010

Account: Division D—Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies—Department of Education, Higher Education (FIPSE)

Title: Civic Engagement and Service Learning Program

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Muhlenberg College

Address of Requesting Entity: 2400 W. Chew Street, Allentown, PA 18104

Description of Request: This funding will be used to expand civic engagement and undergraduate service learning by leveraging Muhlenberg College resources to address issues related to health, housing, economic development and urban education to serve approximately 700 local residents.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. J. RANDY FORBES

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. FORBES. Madam Speaker, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of H.R. 3288, Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: J. RANDY FORBES

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Commerce—Justice—Science

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Suffolk Police Department

Address of Requesting Entity: 120 Henley Place, Suffolk, VA 23434

Description of Request: Provides \$70,000 for the Suffolk Police Department Technology Enhancement Initiative within the COPS Technology Program.

HONORING THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PEORIA

HON. AARON SCHOCK

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. SCHOCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the First United Methodist Church of Peoria. For 17 years First United Methodist has partnered with Irving Primary School to present a variety of services to students from low income families. Bear Buddy Ministry volunteers provide reading and tutoring services to Irving 250 students in second, third, fourth and fifth grade. Bear Buddy Ministry volunteers visit Irving weekly and serve over half of the 353 students who attend Irving.

First United Methodist sponsors a Fine Arts Ministry which partners Irving students with artists from Bradley University and the Peoria Art Guild so Irving students can have a chance to participate in artistic opportunities using visual arts, pottery, writing and photography resources.

The Community Ministry also supports a children's choir which has grown to 52 members in recent years. First United Methodist transports the young vocalists to all of their concerts and civic engagements, including performances at Peoria City Council meetings.

First United Methodist proudly backs a soccer program in Morton, Illinois for Irving students which lasts six to eight weeks. The soccer program gives students proper exercise and shows them the importance of teamwork. First United Methodist members have also built two Habitat for Humanity homes for families of Irving School students. These successes have led First United Methodist to explore future partnerships with Lincoln Middle School and the Peoria Alternative High School. The First United Methodist Church-Irving Primary School partnership is a model relationship which works together to provide a better future for the children of Peoria District 150. I congratulate First United Methodist Church of Peoria for 17 years of quality ministry to the students and families of Irving Primary School. I look forward to many more years of this great partnership which furthers the education of our students. Thank you and I yield back the balance of my time.

A TRIBUTE TO GRETCHEN PUSCH

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS-

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Gretchen Pusch.

Flutist Gretchen Pusch made her Carnegie Recital Hall debut as winner of the Artist International Competition. She has appeared frequently in recitals and as concerto soloist in North America, Europe and Asia. A member of the Dorian Wind Quintet, she has also collaborated in chamber music concerts with Peter